

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claims 29 and 31 as follows and add Claims 36-42:

Claims 1-11 (canceled)

12. (Previously presented) A support for an electrical display device, comprising mounting means configured to suspend the display device therefrom,

said mounting means including a quick release mechanism to allow the display device to be readily and quickly detached from the support, wherein

the quick release mechanism comprises a male attachment member which protrudes from the rear of the mounting means,

said male attachment member having a head which is received in a rebated slot provided in a female attachment member attachable to the support,

the quick release mechanism includes locking means biased to engage when the head of the male attachment member is fully seated in the rebated slot in the female attachment member,

an actuator extends from the locking means for manual operation by a user, and

the actuator is a lever which extends beyond the periphery of the display device when mounted on the support.

13. (Previously presented) A support for an electrical display device, comprising

mounting means configured to suspend the display device therefrom,

said mounting means including a quick release mechanism to allow the display device to be readily and quickly detached from the support, wherein

the support is an arm having mounting means at its end remote from the quick

release mechanism for attaching to the support which is a support post,

said mounting means includes a pivot joint which allows the arm to move from side to side in a horizontal plane,

the mounting means is a collar or sleeve which fits over and around the support post, and

the collar is a tube open at both ends, the tube being of a constant internal diameter except at one end thereof which increases in internal diameter to provide an internal chamfered edge around said one end.

14. (Original) A support post for use with a display monitor support as claimed in claim 13 wherein the post has a plurality of parallel annular rebates spaced along its length to receive a resilient O-ring.

15. (Original) A support post as claimed in claim 14 wherein the post comprises a plurality of individual segments which interfit with each other.

Claims 16 -21 Cancelled.

22. (Previously presented) Support apparatus comprising an arm having proximal and distal ends, first mounting means at said proximal end for mounting the arm on a fixed support, a universal joint at the distal end of the arm with a quick release mechanism connected thereto, the quick release mechanism comprising a male part with second mounting means thereon for attaching an article to be supported to the arm and a female part which releasably cooperates with the male part, said female part being connected to the universal joint.

23. (Previously presented) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 22, wherein the quick release mechanism includes releasable locking means to retain the male and female parts together when engaged with each other.

24. (Previously presented) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 22, wherein said arm includes a pivot joint intermediate its proximal and distal ends which allows the distal end of the arm to move from side to side in a horizontal plane.

25. (Previously presented) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 22, wherein the first mounting means is a collar or sleeve which fits over and around a support post as the fixed support.

26. (Previously presented) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 22, wherein the first mounting means includes attachment means operable to engage with a wall as the fixed support to attach the arm thereto.

27. (Previously presented) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 22, wherein the male part of the quick release mechanism has a head protruding therefrom which is received in an open-ended slot provided in the female part.

28. (Previously presented) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 22, wherein the quick release mechanism includes locking means biased to engage when said head is fully seated in said slot.

29. (Currently Amended) Support apparatus ~~as claimed in Claim 23~~ comprising an arm having proximal and distal ends, first mounting means at said proximal end for mounting the arm on a fixed support, a universal joint at the distal end of the arm with a quick release mechanism connected thereto, the quick release mechanism comprising

a male part with second mounting means thereon for attaching an article to be supported to the arm and a female part which releasably cooperates with the male part, said female part being connected to the universal joint,

wherein the quick release mechanism includes releasable locking means to retain the male and female parts together when engaged with each other, and

an actuator extends from the locking means for manual operation by a user to release said locking means.

30. (Previously presented) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 29, wherein the actuator is a lever.

31. (Currently Amended) Support apparatus ~~as claimed in Claim 25~~ comprising an arm having proximal and distal ends, first mounting means at said proximal end for mounting the arm on a fixed support, a universal joint at the distal end of the arm with a quick release mechanism connected thereto, the quick release mechanism comprising a male part with second mounting means thereon for attaching an article to be supported to the arm and a female part which releasably cooperates with the male part, said female part being connected to the universal joint,

wherein the first mounting means is a collar or sleeve which fits over and around a support post as the fixed support, and

the collar is a tube open at both ends, the tube being of a constant internal diameter but one end thereof increasing in internal diameter to provide an internal chamfered edge around said one end.

32. (Previously presented) A support post for use with a support apparatus as claimed in Claim 31, wherein the post has a plurality of parallel annular rebates spaced along its length.

33. (Previously presented) A support post as claimed in Claim 32, wherein the post comprises a plurality of individual segments which interfit with each other.

34. (Previously presented) A support post as claimed in Claim 32, including a resilient O-ring located in one of said rebates.

35. (Previously presented) A support post as claimed in Claim 33, including a resilient O-ring located in one of said rebates.

36. (new) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 22, wherein said universal joint is structured and arranged to pivot about two axes normally arranged with respect to one another.

37.(new) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 36, wherein said normal axes constitute respective horizontal and vertical axes.

38.(new) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 36, wherein said universal joint (5) comprises

a mounting plate (80), a spigot (82) extending from said mounting plate (80) and having an enlarged, disc-shaped head (83) with a central hole (84) extending therethrough normally to an axis of said spigot (82),

a shell (70) enclosing said head (83) and comprising pivot pins (71, 72) extending from opposite ends thereof, with said plate (80) arranged to pivot up and down about an axis defined by the central hole (84) through the spigot head (83), and

the arm (2A) comprising a Y-shaped yoke (61) at the distal end and defining two aligned bores (62, 63) at opposite ends of said yoke (61) from the arm (2A), with the pins (71, 72) structured and arranged to be seated in the respective bores (62, 63) to allow said plate (80) to also pivot from side to side about an axis defined by said pins (71, 72).

39.(new) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 36, wherein said quick release mechanism is directly mounted upon the universal joint.

40.(new) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 22, wherein said quick release mechanism is structured and arranged to attach and secure an article thereto and prevent detachment in coupled state, and release attachment of the article upon actuation of an actuator attached to said quick release mechanism.

41.(new) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 36, wherein said quick release mechanism is structured and arranged to attach and secure an article thereto and prevent detachment in coupled state, and release attachment of the article upon actuation of an actuator attached to said quick release mechanism.

42.(new) Support apparatus as claimed in Claim 39, wherein said quick release mechanism is structured and arranged to attach and secure an article thereto and prevent detachment in coupled state, and release attachment of the article upon actuation of an actuator attached to said quick release mechanism.